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subject to Section 16. Form 4 or	F CHANGES IN BENEFICIAL OWNERSHIP OF SECURITIES					Estimated burden hou response	urs per		
Form 5 obligations may continue. <i>See</i> Instruction 1(b).	-	a) of the I	Public U	Itility Hol	ding Con		nge Act of 1934, of 1935 or Secti 940		
(Print or Type Respon	nses)								
1. Name and Address Hudson David T	s of Reporting	Person <u>*</u>	Symbol		d Ticker or		Issuer	of Reporting Per	
(Last) (3. Date of Earliest Transaction			(Check all applicable)		
600 S. TYLER, SPS TOWER		(Month/Day/Year) 09/30/2016			Director 10% Owner X Officer (give title Other (specify below) President, SPS				
(Street)		4. If Amendment, Date Original Filed(Month/Day/Year)			 6. Individual or Joint/Group Filing(Check Applicable Line) _X_ Form filed by One Reporting Person Form filed by More than One Reporting 				
AMARILLO, TX	(79101						Person		porting
(City) (State)	(Zip)	Tab	ole I - Non-l	Derivative	Securities A	Acquired, Disposed	of, or Beneficia	lly Owned
	nsaction Date th/Day/Year)	2A. Deemo Execution any (Month/Da	Date, if	3. Transactic Code (Instr. 8)	4. Securiti onAcquired Disposed (Instr. 3, 4	(A) or of (D) and 5) (A)	5. Amount of Securities Beneficially Owned Following Reported Transaction(s)	6. Ownership Form: Direct (D) or Indirect (I) (Instr. 4)	7. Nature of Indirect Beneficial Ownership (Instr. 4)
				Code V	Amount	or (D) Price	(Instr. 3 and 4)		
Reminder: Report on	a separate line	for each cla	ass of sec	urities bene	-	-	•	ation of	NEC 1474
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 Table II - Derivative Securities Acquired, Disposed of, or Beneficially Owned
 (e.g., puts, calls, warrants, options, convertible securities)

1. Title of	2.	3. Transaction Date	3A. Deemed	4.	5. Number of	6. Date Exercisable and	7. Title and Amount of	8. Pr
Derivative	Conversion	(Month/Day/Year)	Execution Date, if	Transacti	orDerivative	Expiration Date	Underlying Securities	Deri
Security	or Exercise		any	Code	Securities	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 3 and 4)	Secu

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(Instr. 3)	Price of Derivative Security	(Month/Day/Year)	(Instr. 8)	Acquired (or Dispose (D) (Instr. 3, 4, and 5)	d of					(Inst
			Code V	(A)	(D)	Date Exercisable	Expiration Date	Title	Amount or Number of Shares	
Phantom Stock	\$ 0 <u>(1)</u>	09/30/2016	А	14.179		(2)	(2)	Common Stock	14.179	\$ 4

Reporting Owners

Reporting Owner Name / Address	Relationships						
reporting of the reader that the	Director	10% Owner	Officer	Other			
Hudson David T 600 S. TYLER SPS TOWER AMARILLO, TX 79101			President, SPS				
Cignotures							

Signatures

Tara M. Stoffel, Attorney in fact for David T.	10/04/2016
Hudson	10/04/2010
**Signature of Reporting Person	Date

Explanation of Responses:

- * If the form is filed by more than one reporting person, see Instruction 4(b)(v).
- ** Intentional misstatements or omissions of facts constitute Federal Criminal Violations. See 18 U.S.C. 1001 and 15 U.S.C. 78ff(a).
- (1) Security converts to common stock on a one-for-one basis.
- (2) Shares of phantom stock become payable in accordance with the reporting person's distribution elections made pursuant to the Xcel Energy Deferred Compensation Plan (the "Plan").

The number of shares of phantom stock reflects both additional shares credited upon the deemed reinvestment of dividend equivalents as(3) reported in the most recent report from the Plan administrator, as well as the number of shares reflected in such report as attributable to the reporting person in the Plan's unitized Company stock fund.

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